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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chiefs, D/A, D/I, D/M and D/S

FROM:

Chief, Economic Research Area

SUBJECT:

Security Classification of Intelligence Fact Sheets Presented in COCOM Security Trade Control Negotiations,

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- 1. A request has been made in COCOM to downgrade all material presented in subject negotiations to CONFIDENTIAL. Agreement has been reached to downgrade any materials on which one or more governments has not asked for continuance of present classification before 15 October 1958. Inasmuch as ERA analysts prepared the intelligence presentations contained in the fact sheets and participated in the presentation of technical material elsewhere in the documents, the safeguarding of intelligence sources will require careful review of these documents before any downgrading should occur. I have asked the Chief, S/TD to see that copies of these materials have been made available to you by the date of this memo.
- 2. Each branch which furnished material for the subject exercise will immediately review these materials. Where the presentation may be reduced from SECRET to CONFIDENTIAL without alteration in the draft, this should be noted. Where redrafting of the document of some serious proportions is necessary to remove the SECRET classification, such fact should be noted but no effort made to alter the draft at this time.
- 3. Document review should be completed and a final status report filed with this office through each division by 3 October 1958.

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